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This newsletter will appear regularly throughout the academic year in order to keep the membership of the Union and other interested faculty informed about the activities of the local chapter. Contributions are welcome and may be given to any of the people listed below.

The Union Executive Committee will hold its weekly meetings at noon on Wednesdays in Physics 1015. These meetings are open to the public. The current officers are: President -- Bob Weintraub, Vice-President -- Martin Silver, Secretary-Treasurer -- Larry Badash. Executive Committee members are: Bernie Kirtman, Bob Potter, Al (Shirk) Lindemann, and Don Johnson.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

On Monday, October 9, at 3:30 a meeting will be held in the Faculty Club. The following items will be discussed:

- a) the current status of collective bargaining for academic employees;
- b) implications of the enrollment drop at UCSB;
- c) John Macksoud will speak briefly about the settlement of his case;
- d) recruitment of new members.

POTTER AWARDED TENURE; JOINS DRAMA DEPARTMENT

Professor Robert Potter, 1971-1972 Plous Award winner and member of the Union Executive Council, who was previously recommended for termination by the English Department, has been appointed to a permanent position on the UCSB faculty. The University administration announced in June that it would overrule the department and recommend Potter for the tenured post of Lecturer with Security of Employment. Subsequent to this decision, and with the concurrence of the two departments, Potter has accepted a new position in the Department of Dramatic Art. He will teach graduate and undergraduate courses in dramatic literature, and direct a new program in playwriting.

UCSB/AFT REPRESENTATION ON CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL

The local chapter of the University Council has been participating actively in the labor movement of the surrounding area. Our delegate to the Tri-Counties Central Labor Council, Albert (Shirk) Lindemann, has been elected Secretary-Treasurer of the Santa Barbara unit, giving him a voting position on the twelve member Executive Committee of the Council. Representation on the Council has made it possible to present the views of the university community to a section of the surrounding community with which communication in the past has been very poor. There is reason for cautious optimism that these contacts between professors and working men can be gradually expanded to their mutual benefit.

SETTLEMENT OF THE MACKSOD CASE

Under pressure of a lawsuit brought by an AFT attorney, the administration has concluded a precedent-setting agreement with Professor John Macksoud. According to the agreement, John will be hired for a ninth year without tenure and his case will be reviewed again this fall. If the decision is favorable, his appointment as Associate Professor (or Lecturer with Security of Employment) will be retroactive to July 1. No budgetary strictures or programmatic needs will be considered. If the decision is unfavorable, then specific reasons must be given in writing. We acknowledge the help of the local AAUP chapter in gathering affidavits for the lawsuit.

LIBRARY RECRUITING IN PROGRESS

Martin Silver reports that 25 UCSB Librarians have joined the Union and that majority representation in the library is just around the corner. The total number of eligible librarians is approximately 55 (with some unfilled positions), and the recruiting drive has an immediate goal of 75% membership by the end of November. Librarians are joining quickly since they are all aware that they are the lowest-paid Academic employees in the UC system. A Library Union Newsletter is planned for November along with a special meeting to plan activities and to form committees. The Library Steering Committee consists of: Rosemary Roy, Michael Randall, and Martin Silver.